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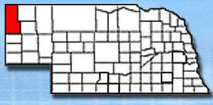
Harrison, Nebraska

August 1, 2018

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room August 1 1, 2018 at 9:11 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners, Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Michelle Zimmerman opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2018 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 33,562.59; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 139.41; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 170.12; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,220.44/employee share, 1,504.84; Aging Office of Western Nebraska, 2019 assessment, 728.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,543.62; Jenna Boland, mileage, 87.20; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone, 176.23; Copier Connection, copier, 368.68; Marriott Hotels, room, 316.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 485.84; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Hal Downer, mileage, 415.29; Horse Creek Tire, repair, 12.00; David Howell, mileage, 54.50; Lacy Klein, mileage, 76.30; Chad McCumbers, fuel, 73.14/ supply, 20.50; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,260.14; Mobius Communications, phone, 223.53; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 856.50; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 701.94; Neofunds, postage, 500.00; NEA, electric, 426.70; Jenny Nixon, mileage, 29.43; Panhandle Area Development District, 18-19 contribution, 821.60; Panhandle RC & D, dues, 300.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 531.97; Platte Valley Communications, supply, 20.32; Quill Corporation, supplies, 49.00; Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority, mental health services, 7,307.00; Region 1 Office of Human Development, services, 1,642.50; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 342.11; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,829.46/employee share social security, 1,829.46/county share medicare, 427.84/employee share medicare, 427.84/ withholding, 1,968.20; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Sioux Sales Company, supply, 42.00; Josh Skavdahl, mileage, 616.39; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 18.68/dues & seminar, 1,175.00/postage, 63.40; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 20,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 306,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 35.00; USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, predatory animal contract, 5,011.50; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.17; Village of Harrison, utilities, 495.25; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 101.38.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 31,244.95 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 26.50; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 228.68; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,091.30/employee share retirement, 1,394.16; B & C Steel Corporation, supply, 1,399.91; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 17,189.10; Cody Bruegger, welding, 4,087.50; Donald Brush, survey, 350.00; Centurylink, internet, 50.87; Contractors Materials, supply, 192.00; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 4,366.43; Floyd's Truck Center, repair, 140.14; Frank Parts, parts, 119.96; Herren's, supply, 641.36; Hometown Auto Repair, repairs, 443.20; Ideal Linen, rugs, 31.38; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 580.17; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 510.25; Morrill Hardware, supply, 1.38; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 573.03; NE Machinery, repairs, 456.53; NEA, electric, 62.90; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 3,821.00; Running Water Gravel Co., LLC, gravel hauling, 9,176.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,708.22/employee share social security, 1,708.22/county share



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medicare, 399.52/employee share medicare, 399.52/withholding, 1,103.52; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 462.66; Steve's Truck & Equipment, repairs, 50.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; Gary Thayer, mileage, 386.95; U-Save Mart, fuel, 273.53; Village of Harrison, utility, 91.10.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Sioux County Ag Society, grant for fair, 250.00; Sioux County Historical Society, grant for museum, 600.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,115.00; Amazon, supplies, 84.32; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 75.26/employee share retirement, 50.18; Centurylink, phone, 149.62; Crawford Clipper, notices, 61.00; Herren's, supplies, 5.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 3.72; NEA, utilities, 84.26; Quill Corporation, supplies, 298.80; Sarah Sanderson, books, 31.92; Security First Bank, county share social security, 69.13/employee share social security 69.13/county share medicare, 16.17/employee share medicare 16.17; Village of Harrison, utilities, 67.60.

SIOUX COUNTY ENTITLEMENT FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 226,423.00.

NOXIOUS WEED GRANT FUND: Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 9,400.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 53,054.14.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,385.34; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 296.01/employee share retirement, 197.34; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,085.78; Bluetarp Credit Services, supply, 103.59; Centurylink, internet, 50.88; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,189.40; Herren Brothers, supplies, 23.25; Lotton's Service & Repair, supply, fuel, 1,646.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.75; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 55.59; Security First Bank, county share social security, 244.09/employee share social security, 244.09/county share medicare, 57.09/employee share medicare, 57.09/withholding, 215.23.

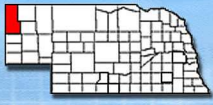
County Treasurer Lacy Klein met with the board concerning the negative balance in the Road Fund. Klein stated that was just made aware that she should have been issuing registered warrants on that fund since the balance has been negative. A transfer from the General Fund will be made today to pay the claims submitted for August. Tax dollars will be coming in August, and Klein will keep the board up to date as to how much money will be allocated to the Road Fund.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. 77-3443, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners received preliminary property tax requests from the following political subdivisions: Village of Harrison, Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, Sioux County Fair, and Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. The following resolutions were all adopted by a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, and passed by roll call vote: Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes.

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has the duty of reviewing and either approving or disapproving the levy request of all political subdivisions allowed to levy a tax for tax year 2018-2019 under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Village of Harrison Nebraska, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2018-2019 of \$41,500.00;



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WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. Requesting a preliminary tax request for the year 2018-2019 of 4 mil of certified valuation of Sioux and Scottsbluff Counties for the year 2018-2019;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2018-2019 of \$57,000.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$1,140.00 for a total of \$58,140.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2018-2019;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sioux County Fair requesting a preliminary tax request of \$25,000.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$500.00 for a total of \$25,500.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2018-2019.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sioux County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the requested tax requests submitted by the foregoing political subdivisions under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443(8) providing the County with the responsibility of allocating up to fifteen cents of its authority to other political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority under subsection (1) of 77-3443 and not specifically covered in this section to levy taxes as authorized by law which do not collectively exceed fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation on any parcel or item of taxable property.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the renewal contract submitted by Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. for oil and gas mineral interest appraisal services for 2019 and 2020. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to appoint Jackie Delatour to Panhandle Public Health District as the Community Representative. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Contryman Associates, PC. To perform the county audit for 2018. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to set the date for the 2018-2019 County Budget Hearing for September 4, 2018. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

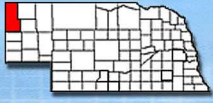
Nick Sanderson reported on weed spraying activities in the county.

Sioux County Sheriff Chad McCumbers submitted monthly reports to the board and advised them of recent activities.

Jenny Nixon and Jeanna Boland updated the board on fair activities. Discussion was held on the salary that UNL sets for Jeanna, and use of the state car the county pays mileage for.

Sarah Sanderson advised the board that the sidewalk on the south side of the courthouse should be completed this week. The library sidewalk has been replaced.

Deputy County Attorney Dan Skavdahl discussed the addition of wind farm language to the Sioux County Zoning Resolution.



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Road Superintendent Gary Thayer updated the board on the armor coating of Liberty Oil and Henry Roads. The work will be done in September. Thayer also updated the board on the Montrose Bridge project. The superstructure has been ordered, and will arrive around the 15th of September.

Upon a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J. W. Geiser, the meeting adjourned from 12:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a lunch recess.

Bob Harrower and Dale Walker met with the board concerning East Hat Creek Road. Mr. Harrower has engineered remote country roads in 18-20 states. Harrower stated that East Hat Creek is a bad road, with three or four locations that require expensive work. Two options of fix or abandon the road was presented. Culverts are washed out and are a liability to the county. There are washed out culverts at the south end that have been sitting there for a long time. Harrower suggested fixing the road at the top and then work down.

A budget workshop was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet September 4, 2018.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk